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## MEDIA ADVISORY

Groundbreaking Ceremony with Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Richard K. Sullivan, Jr.

Monday, June 13, 2011

10:00 a.m.

## Roberts Pond/Irene Street Sewer and Stormwater Improvements Project

Groundbreaking ceremony to be held at: Irene Street Intersection at Cyran Street Chicopee, MA

On June 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM there will be a groundbreaking ceremony for the Roberts Pond/Irene Street Sewer and Stormwater Improvements Project. The ceremony will take place at the Irene Street and Cyran Street Intersection. The City of Chicopee successfully obtained a State Revolving Loan and an Environmental Justice Grant to fund the \$1.8 million sewer separation and storm water management project. This project is being completed to address public health concerns caused by chronic sewer backups and to safely manage the storm water in this area. This project is also the next step in the City's continued efforts to enhance the water quality in the Connecticut River by reducing or eliminating CSOs.

Please join Mayor Michael D. Bissonnette and Secretary Richard K. Sullivan Jr. as they break ground on this important project.